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September 10, 2010

Mr. Paul Rumelhart
Kootenai Business Park Industrial District
111 E. Lincoln Road
Libby, MT 59923

Re: Kootenai Business Park Industrial District
Final Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, January 2010

Dear Paul:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Final Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Report of Findings, prepared by PBS&J for the Kootenai Business Park Industrial District, dated January 2010. The focus of this environmental assessment was to identify the potential impacts of historical wood products manufacturing on the site. The report does not address contamination associated with either the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site or the Libby Groundwater Superfund Site.

Based on my review of the report and the analytical results for both soil and groundwater, I concur with the conclusions presented in the report. Specifically, development in the areas of the former underground storage tanks east of the main office, the former plywood plant and drainage ditch east of the plywood plant, and the storm water pond would likely require at least some excavation and removal of contaminated soil. In addition, institutional controls to manage contaminants of potential concern associated with the central maintenance building and truck barn and fire pond drainage ditch would be required.

I look forward to continuing to work with you to support redevelopment efforts within the Business Park as EPA proceeds with any environmental remediation that may be necessary associated with the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Rebecca J. Thomas", is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

Rebecca J. Thomas
Project Manager



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